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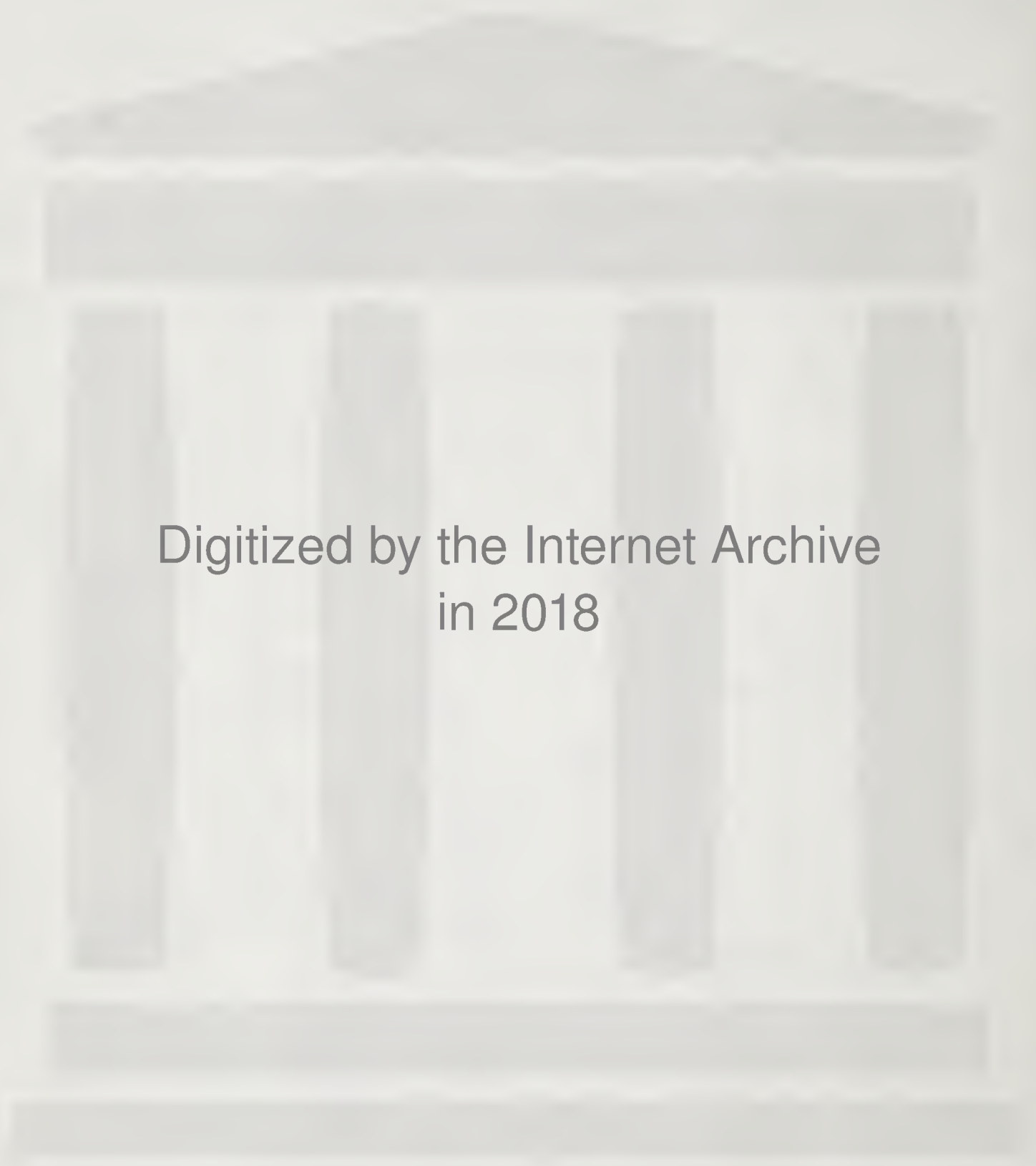
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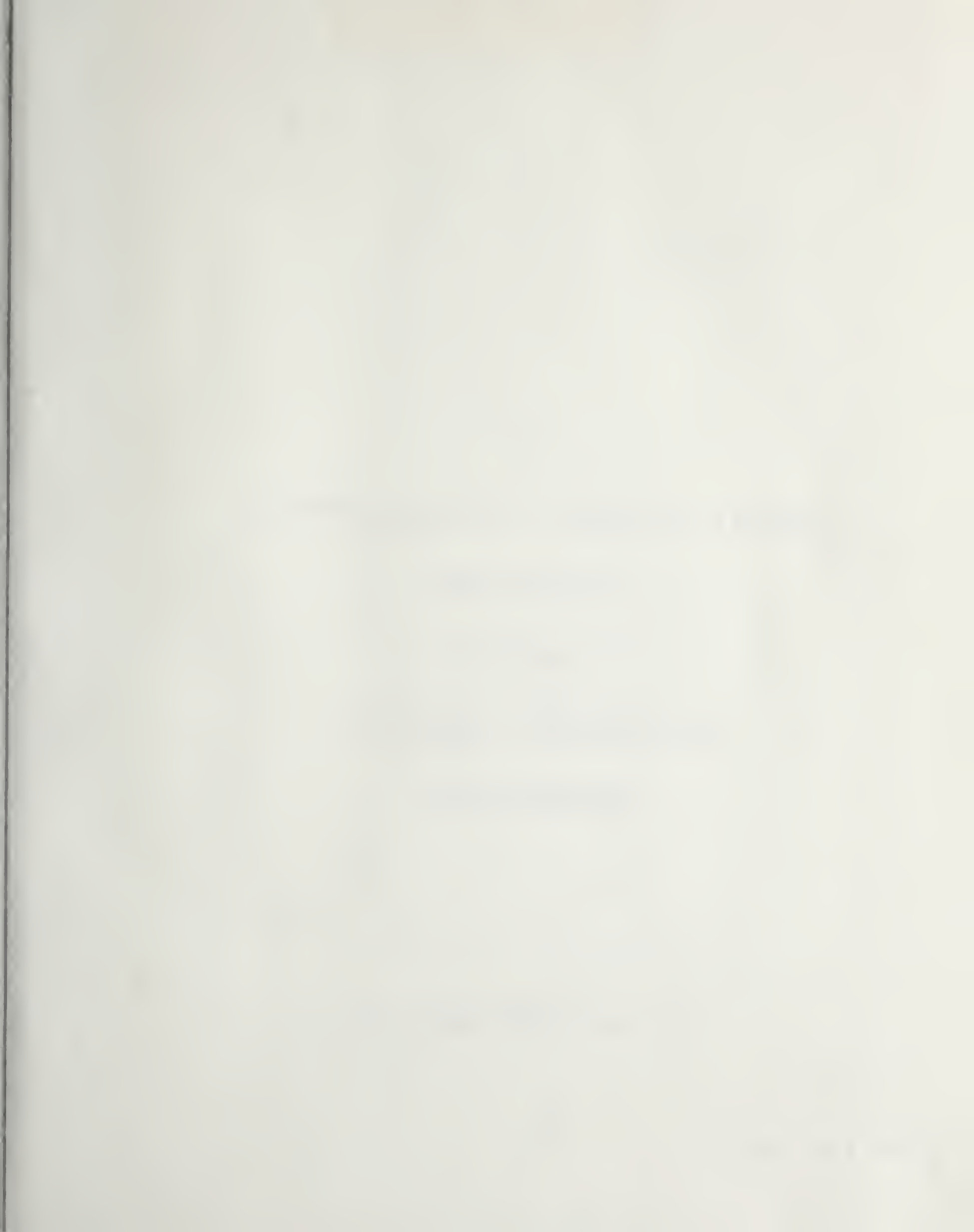


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Introduction

Even as "Man shall not live by bread alone", so descendants cannot subsist on the deeds of their ancestors; and the mind that dwells entirely on the past, is exercising only one part of its potential power: but even as it is gratifying to know the identity of and something about immediate parents, so it is retrospectively interesting to trace more remote ancestry and other kinship; and the mind that concerns itself altogether with the present or future, is accordingly covering only from one to two parts of its possible scope.

Genealogic data not only satisfies sentimental curiosity as to relationship of persons or peoples, but is often of practical use in marriage, the distribution of estates, the establishment and confederation of nations and other political units, and otherwise: and not only is there romance in the lives of predecessors, but, tho many forces other than heredity influence the shaping of destinies, ancestral traits often predispose descendants to tendencies that may sometimes be promoted or restrained to advantage.

"And Adam knew Eve, his wife; — and she bare Cain — and she again bare his brother Abel —" (Gen. 4) is a simple one of the many scriptural genealogies, which include an enumeration extending back through 10 generations from Joseph to Abraham (Mat. 1) and the Bible contains only some of the family, tribal, racial and other such delineations: — most of which however have been kept among the more literate races of mankind.

Any genealogy is incomplete, because (if not also otherwise unfinished) it cannot include always unknown first foreparents, or unborn posterity; and is more or less imperfect within its range, because (if not otherwise faulty) if especially suited to one purpose, is less fit for other use (e. g. if paternal descent be emphasized, maternal descent must be comparatively minimized) or if the record shows all Lineal (direct - as parent and child) and Collateral (indirect - as brother and sister) degrees of Consanguineous (by blood) and affinitive (by marriage) relationship of all correlatives to ancestors and to one another, it becomes so fulsome in detail that it is voluminously intricate; and this compilation is incomplete within its sphere, because of the omission of many germane particulars not known to the author, and imperfect in structure because no conceived arrangement of the subject matter will accomplish utter simplicity and full completeness: but to make the work rather incomplex and somewhat extensive, the volume is divided into Paternal and Maternal sections, which are likewise again so divided; with those perpetuating the family name, mentioned firstly in the text, so far as chronologic order will allow, and placed abovely in the diagrams; and each generation of each family is given a chapter of text, and separated from other groups on the charts: and any one can begin at any appropriate place and add individual or family record.

(Newal A. Ellis)

Preface

Scarcely one person in one hundred know the name of their great grandfather on the mothers' side of the house, and comparatively few know anything of their foreparents beyond their family names; and having observed the average persons want of knowledge relative to the history of their own ancestry, I am prompted to write of the family lineage.

After diligent inquiry and research extending over a period of years, I leave to my children and their children, this record; and hope that in the years to come it may be copied and added to from time to time for the benefit of members of the family desiring it, so that future generations bearing the family name or being of the family blood, may be able to trace their descent back much further from themselves than I can from myself.

Albert Harmon Ellis

Dedication

To my children and to others that are or may be of my family blood or bear my family name, I respectfully dedicate these pages.

A. H. Ellis

WYATT ELLIS Sr., the First Direct Paternal ancestor on the Ellis side of whom I have authentic information, emigrated from Rowan County North Carolina (near Salisbury) to Indiana Territory about 1814 (he disagreed with his folks over the slavery question and did not correspond with them) He is described to me by one who knew him, as of medium height, heavy set, with very thick, black hair, and very black eyes. He first settled near Aurora, in Dearborn County, but later moved to Shelby County and took up land * about 3 miles Northeast of the town of Fairland, in what is now Moral Township. He served for many years as Magistrate and was known locally as Squire Ellis. He married Sarah Markland in North Carolina, and they were the parents of Mitchell, Blake, Wyatt Jr., Clark, Lewis, Kitty, Sarah, Amanda and Ona Ellis. Wyatt Sr. and his wife sleep in the cemetery known locally as "Pinhook" about 2 miles East of Fairland, Shelby County Indiana.

* The W. 1-2 of S. W. 1-4 of Sec 27, Twp 14, R 6, June 26th 1832; and the W. 1-2 of N. E. 1-4 of the same Section, Aug. 1st 1839; and other lands in the same Township, July 1832 and Oct. 1834.

† There are many old deeds of record acknowledged before him as J. P.

(Taken from the Shelby County Recorder books by me Sept. 1933. A. H. E.)

MITCHELL ELLIS: oldest son of Wyatt Sr. and Sarah (Markland) Ellis, died in his youth, in Shelby County Indiana.

BLAKE ELLIS: 2^d second son of Wyatt Sr. and Sarah (Markland) Ellis, died in his young manhood, in Shelby County Indiana.

WYATT ELLIS Jr: (my Grandfather) third son of Wyatt Sr. and Sarah (Markland) Ellis, was a farmer* and gun-smith. He married Ruth Andrews, a daughter of John Q and Ruth (nee Snyder) Andrews, both of whom were old time pioneers of Shelby County. Wyatt Jr. died about 1848, leaving two children, Newal Addison (my father) and Caroline Ellis. The Andrews' came from Ohio.

CLARK ELLIS: fourth son of Wyatt Sr. and Sarah (Markland) Ellis, married his sister-in-law, Ruth Ellis (my grandmother) the widow of Wyatt Ellis Jr. and there was born to them Andrew, Madison Linn, Louise, Serepta, Clementine and Elizabeth Ellis. Ruth Ellis died July 1865, and sleeps in the Ellis family cemetery in Moral Township, Shelby County Indiana,

2^d Homesteaded the S. W. 1-4 of S. W. 1-4 of Sec. 27, Twp. 16, R. 6, Shelby Co. Indiana, in 1832; and the S. E. 1-4 of S. W. 1-4 of the same Section, in 1836.

* He entered the W. 1-2 of S. W. 1-4 of Sec. 27, Twp. 14, Range 6 (relinquished by Wyatt Sr.) Oct. 16th 1834; and the S. E. 1-4 of S. W. 1-4 of the same Section, July 13th, 1833.

Q John Andrews took the E. 1-2 of N. E. 1-4 of Sec. 33, Twp. 14, R. 6, Shelby County Indiana, Aug. 28th 1832.

LEWIS ELLIS: (called Luke) fifth son of Wyatt Sr. and Sarah (Markland) Ellis, married Ollie Bassett. She died, and he again married, and emigrated to Missouri, where we lost all knowledge of him.

KITTY ELLIS: oldest daughter of Wyatt Sr. and Sarah (Markland) Ellis, became the wife of Sylvester Monroney. He died, and she then married a Michaels.

SARAH ELLIS: second daughter of Wyatt Sr. and Sarah (Markland) Ellis, married Edward Kennedy, a physician. She died without issue.

AMANDA ELLIS: third daughter of Wyatt Sr. and Sarah (Markland) Ellis, married her brother-in-law, Edward Kennedy, the bereft husband of Sarah Ellis, and they resided in Acton, Indiana until death claimed them. She had two sons - one died young, the other is Leroy Kennedy.

OMA ELLIS: fourth daughter of Wyatt Sr. and Sarah (Markland) Ellis, married Samuel Moore. She and her husband lie in the old cemetery given by her brother, Clark Ellis, on the old homestead of the Ellis family, in Moral Township, Shelby Co. Ind.

NEWAL ADDISON ELLIS: son of Wyatt Jr. and Ruth (Andrews) Ellis, was born in Moral Township, Shelby County Indiana, Nov. 28th 1836. Bereft of his father at an early age, he supported himself as he grew to manhood. I have heard him say he worked many days for 12 1-2 cents per day. He learned the carpenter trade and became very proficient. He was the neatest and best framer of the old fashioned frame building I have ever known (and I have known many). He was denied school advantages in his youth, yet he was a student. He became an expert at figuring on any kind of building or building material, and was often consulted by other builders. He always drew his own plans and specifications, as well as contracts. He owned land his own home, from early manhood. Feb. 7th 1861 he married America Matilda Hubbard, and they were the parents of Albert H., Mitchell G., Wyatt O., Melvina, Everett U., and Andrew W. Ellis. In 1913 he went entirely blind, and died at his home in Sugar Creek Township, Shelby County Indiana, Nov. 11th 1918, within five miles of where he was born, as the bells were ringing at the close of the World war. Four times he had heard the bells toll peace to our war torn country: at the close of the Mexican, Civil, Spanish American and World wars. As I remember him in the prime of his life, his hair was very black and thick, his eyes dark brown and keen as the eye of an eagle; mouth rather large, face smooth shaven and showing firmness, yet

gentleness. He was six feet in height, weighed 180 lbs., was square shouldered, very straight and strong; rather deliberate in speech, slow to anger but when aroused knew no fear. His word was never doubted by those who knew him. He could say yes with pleasure, and no in a way that left no doubt as to what he meant. The poor, the widow and the orphan came to him for aid in their time of need, people came to him for counsel in their hour of trouble, and he never turned any away empty handed. He was a Republican in politics, and a member of the Methodist church for 60 years. His thanks at mealtime was "Our Heavenly Father, we thank Thee for the preservation of our lives. Forgive all our sins, bless these table comforts to the use of our bodies, devote us to thy service, feed us on the bread of life. These favors we ask for Christ sake." His was a consistent Christian life, and I am sure that when the Master called, he was ready to answer "Here am I". He sleeps beside his wife (my mother) in the cemetery at Fairland, Shelby County Indiana.

CAROLINE ELLIS: daughter of Wyatt Jr. and Ruth (Andrews) Ellis, married Elcaneey Fields, and reared a large family. Her husband died, and she then married James Fields, a cousin to her first husband. Both she and her husband are now dead.

ANDREW ELLIS: first son of Clark and Ruth (Andrews) Ellis, died in infancy.

MADISON LINN ELLIS: second son of Clark and Ruth (Andrews) Ellis, served as a soldier in the Civil war, in the 26th Indiana Volunteer Infantry. He married Melissa Victoria Amos March 29th 1860, and there was born to them Ora and Lizzie Ellis.

LOUISA ELLIS: first daughter of Clark and Ruth (Andrews) Ellis, married David Hubbard (my mothers' brother) and in Shelby County Indiana raised a large family, one of which is Rev. Tom Hubbard, noted Advent preacher of Bogstown Indiana.

SEREPTA ELLIS: second daughter of Clark and Ruth (Andrews) Ellis, married William Cartmill (my mothers cousin) She died in Anderson, Madison County Indiana.

CLEMENTINE ELLIS: third daughter of Clark and Ruth (Andrews) Ellis, married Randedy Bush of Moral Township, Shelby County Indiana, and reared a large family.

ELIZABETH ELLIS: fourth daughter of Clark and Ruth (Andrews) Ellis, married John Pottorf of Bartholomu County Indiana, and they had two sons. She died near Thayer Kansas, and was buried in Wilson County Kansas about 5 miles Southwest of Thayer.

ALBERT H. ELLIS: * oldest son of Newal Addison and America Matilda (Hubbard) Ellis, was born Dec. 17th 1861, in Moral Township, Shelby County Indiana; and married Mary Arminta Foster, at Delphos Kansas, August 5th 1883; and they are the parents of Royal Newal Addison, Wyatt Henry, Ferrol Francis, Mitchell O., and Foster Vaughn Ellis. They came to Oklahoma Territory in 1893 (Albert H. being a farmer and having taken land at the opening of the Cherokee strip, Sept. 16th 1893) and settled on the N. E. 1-4 of Sec. 29, Twp. 20, R. 3, W. 1, M., in what is now Marshall Township, Garfield County (then O County) He was elected the first Township Trustee of Marshall Township in 1894, and served two years. Was then elected to the 4th Territorial Legislature in 1896, and renominated but defeated for reelection in 1898. He was again nominated and defeated for the legislature in 1900; then elected Delegate to the Oklahoma Constitutional Convention in 1906, and by that body chosen Second Vice President of the Convention, which also later named Ellis County Oklahoma after him. Was elected to the first State Legislature of 1907, and by the legislature elected Speaker pro tem; then defeated (by three votes) for the second legislature in 1908; and defeated for the Democrat nomination for Lieutenant Governor in 1910. Nominated for County Treasurer of Garfield County in 1922, and defeated. Appointed office deputy in Sheriffs' office of Garfield County in 1923, and appointed Chairman of the Garfield County Election

Board in 1930; then appointed Superintendent of the Whitaker State Orphan Home, at Pryor Oklahoma; by William H. Murray, Governor of Oklahoma.

My first recollection of my father is of him flicking flies off the backs of his mule team as we were moving by covered wagon (prairie schooner) from Commanche County to Neosho County Kansas.

Then as now, he was tall, broad shouldered and lean, with large hands and feet, but so proportioned and well knit he was big without appearing bulky.

His sometimes wistful, steel grey eyes are deep set and penetrating - flashing black fury when he is aroused to anger; and his furrowed brow is that of a thinker.

He is long nosed and venturesome, but cautious; and being both impulsive and deliberate, acts on the spur of the moment if necessary, but ponders his course if there is time.

He intuitively measures others, and sees far ahead to a foretelling extent; and his quick perception inclines him to impatience with delay and slow comprehension.

He has strong likes and dislikes, and is more apt to be for or against than undecidedly neutral; but his emotions and appetites are largely controlled by reasoning faculties; and he can be utterly impartial.

Extensive reading, close observation and a retentive memory have given him an abundance of miscellaneous information; and he is especially well informed politically, and can draft anything from a resolution to a platform.

He thoroughly understands the fundamentals of government and law, and has a working knowledge of their technical application; and is a careful advisor of the many who seek his opinion.

He is an assertive writer, more vigorous than exact; a forceful speaker, able to improvise for most any occasion; and a dexterous debater and parliamentarian; and whether acting for himself or others, as negotiator or arbiter, can be diplomatic and persuasive or stern and uncompromising.

Whether talkative or taciturn, he uses good language, well enunciated with a voice of excellent timbre: is chivalrous, has a keen sense of the inconsistent or ridiculous and enjoys repartee and harmless mischief.

He is both a dreamer and a doer, a theorist and executive; and though often thwarted, as if by arbitrary fate, has sometimes been the beneficiary of more fortitious circumstances; and being industrious, frugal, studious, and able to work and meditate at the same time, was usually ready to meet emergency or make the most of opportunity.

If he cannot do or get what he wants, he usually does something else and takes what he can get; and an outstanding characteristic is his resourcefulness to withstand defeat, and even extract some benefit from it; and even as I have seen him return without egotism from distinguished public service, to his plow; also I have seen him follow the furrow without complaint or appearance of despair, immediately after defeat that meant the end of well made plans and cherished hopes.

He relies much on adroit strategy, but if maneuver fails, is ready for bludgeon combat, and if one weapon is broken, he arms himself with another; but does not stultify his conviction for gain; and knowing the responsibility accompaniment to success, is not overly depressed by defeat, or unduly elated by victory.

Dressed in blue overalls and hickory shirt, he appeared as a democratic farmer; or clothed in tailored habiliments and wearing side whiskers, was reminiscent of feudal aristocracy; and now, with white hair and intellectual features, he seems as a scholarly patriarch, tempered to proficiency by elapsing time and his own efforts: and though deduction for error be made, the aggregate sum and substance of his acts constitutes an asset to himself and others; and in any reckoning of debits and credits, he need not apologize for having lived upon the earth.

(Newell A. Ellis)

MITCHELL G. ELLIS: second son of Newal Addison and America Matilda (Hubbard) Ellis, emigrated to Cass County Minnesota, where he married and they have one son, Orval.

WYATT O. ELLIS: third son of Newal Addison and America Matilda (Hubbard) Ellis, was a carpenter and mechanic. He died in Salt Lake City Utah, and was buried near there.

MELVINA ELLIS: only daughter of Newal Addison and America Matilda (Hubbard) Ellis, married Albert Poland. Their children are Lulu, Chester, Jessie, Raymond, Maynard, Edna (Jill) and Lloyd Poland. She died Oct. 12th 1934, at her home, Indianapolis, Indiana, and was buried at Memorial Park, near Indianapolis.

EVERETT U. ELLIS: fourth son of Newal Addison and America Matilda (Hubbard) Ellis, married Ida Willis, in Shelby County Indiana; and died in Fairland, Indiana, Christmas day 1903; and Ida (Willis) Ellis died in Shelby County, July 5th 1932:

ANDREW W. ELLIS: youngest son of Newal Addison and America Matilda (Hubbard) Ellis, is an unmarried carpenter and contractor, and at this time lives at Fairland, Indiana.

MARGARETT ANN MOORE: daughter of Samuel and Oma (Ellis) Moore, married George Cartwright. Both are now dead.

CLARINDA MOORE: daughter of Samuel and Oma (Ellis) Moore, married Wm. Thrasher. Both are dead.

MISSOURI MOORE: daughter of Samuel and Oma (Ellis) Moore, married Richard Haney. Both are now dead.

ELVIRA MOORE: daughter of Samuel and Oma (Ellis) Moore, married Jacob Alexander. Both are dead.

FRANCIS MOORE: daughter of Samuel and Oma (Ellis) Moore, married Milton Nichols. She is a widow and lives at Indianopolis, Indiana.

ESADORE MOORE: Son of Samuel and Oma (Ellis) Moore, married —

DOUGLASS MOORE: son of Samuel and Oma (Ellis) Moore, married —

ROYAL NEWAL ADDISON ELLIS: (Uncle Wash) oldest son of Albert H. and Arminta (Foster) Ellis; was born May 10th 1884 at Summerville, Ottawa County Kansas. He was elected Justice of the Peace for District No. 6 of Garfield County Oklahoma, and later appointed Postmaster at Hayward Oklahoma. He married Eleanor M. Cooke in 1916, and they moved to Muskogee, Oklahoma, where they were divorced in 1922; after which he engaged in printing, the manufacture of printer's rollers, and notary work.

WYATT HENRY ELLIS: second son of Albert H. and Arminta (Foster) Ellis; was born March 16th 1886, near Nescatunga, in Commanche County Kansas; and died when one year and one day old.

FERROL FRANCIS ELLIS: only daughter of Albert H. and Arminta (Foster) Ellis; was born Nov. 4th 1887, in Commanche County Kansas. She married Louis J. Butts, a son of John R. and Sarah Ann (Wesley) Butts, August 5th 1913; and they are the parents of Nadine Nerissa, Vida Lavelle, Cordis Ellis, and Oleva May Butts. This June 1932, they live at Covington Okla., where she is often a Democrat member of the election board of a Republican precinct; while L. J. runs for office on the Socialist ticket.

MITCHELL, O. ELLIS: third son of Albert H. and Armintha (Foster) Ellis; was born Feb. 11th 1890 near Thayer, Neosho County Kansas. He was a ready talker and a facile writer, with literary trend and talent; and went to California.

FOSTER VAUGHN ELLIS: youngest son of Albert H. and Armintha (Foster) Ellis; was born August 18th 1892, near Thayer Kansas. He married Connie Craig, daughter of Francis and Dolly Craig, Sept. 22nd 1915; and their children are Lucile Lauretta, Melvina Armintha, Ruth Alice, and Lois Audrey Ellis. Vaughn is a Democrat farmer, and was twice elected Trustee of Marshall Township, Garfield County Okla.

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JESSE ? HUBBARD, Sr.: The first ancestor on my mother's side of which I have authentic information, was a Welchman. He married and their children were Jesse Jr, Thomas, John D. and Clark Hubbard.

JESSE HUBBARD, Jr.: oldest son of Jesse ? Sr.
and Hubbard

THOMAS HUBBARD: second son of Jesse ? Sr.
and Hubbard

JOHN D. HUBBARD: third son of Jesse ? Sr.
and Hubbard; was born in Buck-
ingham County Virginia. He served in the war of 1812-
14, and was a man of few words, and very stern. He
married Sarah Austin of the same county, and their
children were Thomas Stephen, Bettie, and Fannie
Hubbard.

CLARK HUBBARD: fourth son of Jesse ? Sr.
and Hubbard

THOMAS HUBBARD: oldest son of John D. and Sarah (Austin) Hubbard —

STEPHEN HUBBARD: Second son of John D. and Sarah (Austin) Hubbard; was born in Buckingham County Virginia, March 24th 1779. He was a man of education, a slave holder, a farm owner, and a cooper by trade. He married Virginia W. Cartmill* (whom he always called Jennie) who was born in Botetourt County Virginia, and was the daughter Henry and Isabell Cartmill (nee Bogan). There was born to Stephen and Virginia Hubbard; Sarah, Andrew W., John Austin, William Henry, David C., Stephen Thomas, Polly, Louisa, Fannie, and America Matilda Hubbard. Virginia Hubbard was a tall woman, possessed of more than ordinary intelligence. One who knew her well, described her to me as all dignity and wisdom. Both she and Stephen were members of the Episcopal church, and lie buried in the churchyard known as Sugar Creek Chapel, in Moral Township, Shelby County Indiana.

* Her brother, John Cartmill, was a school teacher, and if a student became disorderly, he would say "Young man, you behave, or I will make you dance a Congo up a sapling" and as they did not know what a Congo was, the threat was usually effective. He was County Treasurer of Shelby County Indiana from 1814 to 1850, and was the first secretary of Shelby Lodge No. 39, the first Odd Fellow lodge organized in Shelby County, Nov. 13 1816.

BETTIE HUBBARD: oldest daughter of John D. and Sarah (Austin) Hubbard; married John Payne.

FANNIE HUBBARD: youngest daughter of John D. and Sarah (Austin) Hubbard; married Brown, and emigrated to Missouri, where she left descendants.

SARAH HUBBARD: oldest daughter of Stephen and Jane (Cartmill) Hubbard, married Albert Harmon of Red House Shoals, Putnam County West Virginia. Many of her descendants are in Putnam and Mason counties.

ANDREW W. HUBBARD: oldest son of Stephen and Jane (Cartmill) Hubbard, was a teamster in the Mexican war of 1846-48, and was wounded. He went to California in 1850, and married Alinda Martin; and they had a son, James Austin, who became a member of the California legislature.

JOHN AUSTIN HUBBARD: second son of Stephen and Jane (Cartmill) Hubbard, married his cousin, Francis Cartmill, and they went to California by ox team in 1850. There his wife died, leaving two children, Sarah and Morgan, who resided in Crawfordsville Indiana. Sarah married Nave Campbell, and is now dead.

WILLIAM HENRY HUBBARD: third son of Stephen and Jane (Cartmill) Hubbard, never married. He was killed in the battle of Droop Mountain in Pocahontas County, now in West Virginia, in 1862. He was in Co. A, 22nd Virginia Infantry of the Confederate army, and under the captainage of Eugenas Wise.

DAVID C. HUBBARD: fourth son of Stephen and Jane (Cartmill) Hubbard, married Louise Ellis (a half sister of Newal Addison Ellis) Both died in

Shelby County Indiana; where they left many descendants; one of them, Tom Hubbard, being quite a noted preacher, of the Adventist faith.

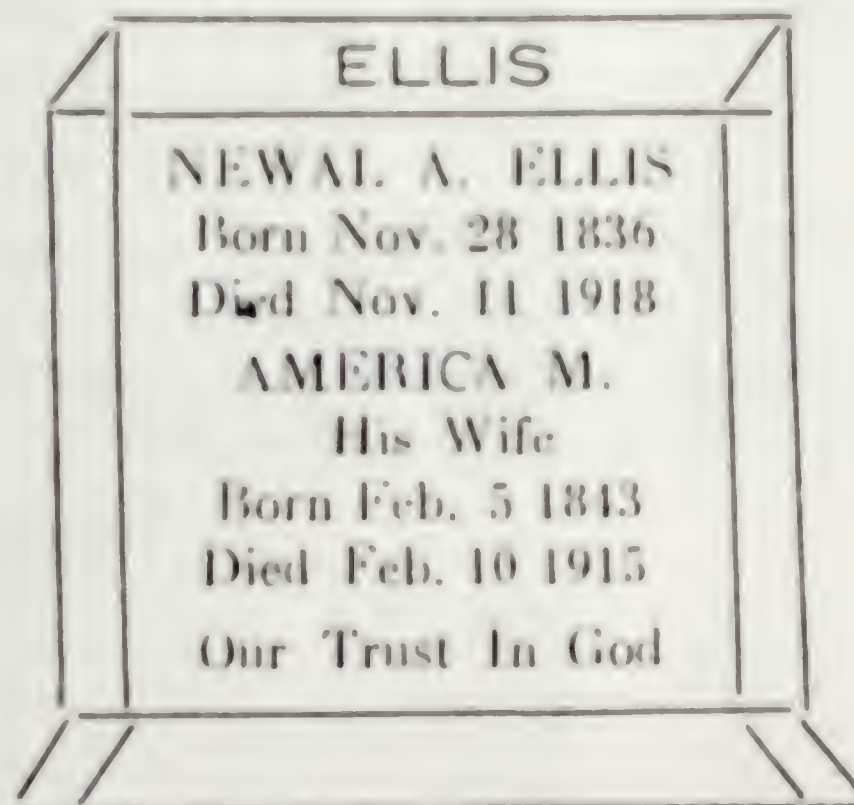
STEPHEN THOMAS HUBBARD: fifth son of Stephen and Jane (Cartmill) Hubbard, died at Pine Bluff Arkansas, with the measles, while in the Confederate army. He never married. Was quite an orator and debater.

POLLY HUBBARD: second daughter of Stephen and Jane (Cartmill) Hubbard, married Benjamin Shumake, and they were the parents of Leithy Jane, James, and Stephen Shumake. Polly became a widow, and married Wm. Maxwell, and by him had one daughter, Isabell Maxwell.

LOUISE HUBBARD: third daughter of Stephen and Jane (Cartmill) Hubbard, was born in Putnam County W. V., 1838. She married John Ensminger in Shelby County Indiana, and their children were Romain, Jennie, Belle, Hattie, George, and Charley (the boys were twins). Louise and John Ensminger sleep in the soil of old Shelby County.

FANNIE HUBBARD: fourth daughter of Stephen and Jane (Cartmill) Hubbard, married Sylvester Ballard; and they were the parents of Lizzie Mack Ballard, who married John Wesley Crumm. All four are now dead.

AMERICA MATILDA HUBBARD: youngest daughter of Stephen and Jane (Virginia Cartmill) Hubbard, was born in Putnam County Virginia (now in West Virginia) on the Putnam river, near Red House shoals, Feb. 5th 1843. She married Newal Addison Ellis Feb. 7th 1861; and died at her home in Sugar Creek Township, Shelby County Indiana, Feb. 10th 1915. I remember her well as she went about her household duties. In middle life she had very rosy cheeks, hazel blue eyes, brown hair, feet and hands were small; a small woman, and girlish in apperance. Inclined to be proud, very witty and active, and rather impatient. In her coffin at the age of 75, she looked to be not over 40. She died rather suddenly. Was a member of the Methodist church, a good wife and mother, and I owe her much. She sleeps beside my father in the Fairland cemetery. The following diagram is of the dark barri granite monument erected at their tomb under my supervision.



LEITHIEY JANE SHUMAKE: daughter of Polly (Hubbard) and Benjamin Shumake, married John Farley.

JAMES SHUMAKE: son of Polly (Hubbard) and Benjamin Shumake, married Amanda Wilkins, and they live in Pleasant View, Indiana.

STEPHEN SHUMAKE: son of Polly (Hubbard) and Benjamin Shumake, died unmarried.

ISABELL MAXWELL: daughter of Polly (Hubbard - Shumake) and Wm. Maxwell, married Roberts

ROMAIN ENSMINGER: oldest daughter of Louisa (Hubbard) and John Ensminger, was born Dec. 1856. She married Philip Metzger, became a widow, and died in Shelby County Indiana March 1933.

JENNIE ENSMINGER: daughter of Louisa (Hubbard) and John Ensminger, was born 1858. She married Dora McKay, died many years ago, and left a daughter in Shelby Co. Ind.

BELLE ENSMINGER: daughter of Louisa (Hubbard) and John Ensminger, was born 1861, married John Eche, and later Dr. McCain.

HATTIE ENSMINGER: daughter of Louisa (Hubbard) and John Ensminger, was born 1864. She married _____ McKay, then Walter Pine. Now lives at Newport News, Va.

GEORGE ENSMINGER: son of Louisa (Hubbard) and John Ensminger, was born 1868, married Emma Tinsley, and they left a son.

CHARLEY ENSMINGER: son of Louisa (Hubbard) and John Ensminger, was born 1868, married Mate Sutton, and resides at Jacksonville, Florida.

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-May Lauretta

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-Barbara

-George Foster ———

Lauretta Cleaver—

-James

Henry Foster ———

Permelia Barngoover—

-Kesia

-Wooster Dakin

-Caroline Zethena

-Lauretta Viola

-George Isaac

-Wooster

-Walter

-Sarah Jane

-Margaret

-David

-Amos

-Phoebe

-Caroline

-Ann

-Lucretia

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- Lucile Lauretta

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- Melvina
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- Albert H. Ellis —
- Arminta Foster-

- Mitchell O.
- Ferrol Francis
- Wyatt Henry
- Newal A.

- Oma
- Amanda
- Sarah
- Kitty
- Lewis
- Clark
- Wyatt Ellis, Jr. —————
- Ruth Andrews —————
- Blake
- Mitchell

- Caroline
- Newal Ad'sn Ellis—
- Amer. M. Hubbard-

Wyatt Ellis, Sr. —
Sarah Markland

1-Connie

Francis Craig ———
Dolly

- America Matilda
- Fannie
- Louisa
- (Polly
- Stephen Thomas
- David C.
- Wm. Henry
- John Austin
- Andrew W.
- Sarah

- Fannie
- Bettie
- Stephen Hubbard ---
- Jane Cartmill ---
- Thomas

- Clark
- John D. Hubbard
- Sarah Austin
- Thomas
- Jessie

Hubbard-

[-Jane W. Cartmill

Henry Cartmill — —
Isabell Bogan

HENRY FOSTER; the first Direct Paternal ancestor of Mary Arminta Ellis (nee Foster) of which I have authentic information, emigrated from Highland County Ohio, to Johnston County Indiana. He was a farmer, and married Permelia Barngoover, and they were the parents of James, Elizabeth, George, William, Barbara, David, Evan-der, and Sarah Foster.

* Myrtle (Walton) Billingsly, a grand daughter of above, says "When the British army came over to this country they brought a little boy with them and he was termed their mascot and they named him Barngoover, and he was Permelia Ann Barngoover's father".

JAMES FOSTER: first son of Henry and Permelia (Barngoover) Foster; died in the Union army during the Civil war.

GEORGE WILLIAM FOSTER: second son of Henry and Permelia (Barngoover) Foster; was born in Highland County Ohio, March 16th 1829. He married Lauretta Viola Cleaver, in Shelby County Indiana, and they were the parents of Henry Dakin, Arthur Dora, Mary Arminta, Elroy Sunderland, John Evert, and Martha Jane Foster.

BARBARA FOSTER; first daughter of Henry and Permelia (Barngoover) Foster; married a Mr. Orange, who died in the Union army,

ELIZABETH FOSTER: second daughter of Henry and Permelia (Barngoover) Foster; married Will Harmon, and their children were Mary, and Alice Harmon.

DAVID FOSTER: third son of Henry and Permelia (Barngoover) Foster; married Fannie McGurke, and their children were Julie, John, Dolly, Elizabeth, and Jessie Foster.

EVANDER FOSTER; fourth son of Henry and Permelia (Barngoover) Foster; never married. He died at the age of 70 years, from heart failure.

SARAH FOSTER; third daughter of Henry and Permelia (Barngoover) Foster; married Tom Walton and their children were Myrtle, Jabez, Ada, and others.

HENRY DAKIN FOSTER; first son of George and Laurretta (Cleaver) Foster; was drowned in a lake near St. Paul, Minnesota, July 19th 1886. He was unmarried, a member of the Methodist church, and notably honest.

ARTHUR DORA FOSTER; second son of Geo. and Laurretta (Cleaver) Foster; married Luella Wilson, at Greenwood, Johnston County, Indiana; and their children are Love, Hazel, Gladys, and Deloris Foster.

MARY ARMINTA FOSTER;* first daughter of George and Laurretta (Cleaver) Foster; was born Nov. 29th 1860. She married Albert H. Ellis, at Delphos, Kansas (Ottawa County) Sunday, August 5th 1883; the ceremony being performed in a parsonage by Rev. Samuel Ward, a Presbyterian minister.

* My first recollection of my mother is of when she donned a pair of trousers and supplied herself with a tub of water and wet rags to fight an approaching prairie fire in Comanche County, Kansas, while father was away from home:- her habitual dress being discarded because a skirt was more inflammable in close combat with galloping flames. I do not recall whether she fought the threatening blaze or it passed us by, but I had no doubt she would save myself and the home, and felt defiant toward the consuming inferno. But facing such danger was only an episode in the life of a pioneer woman, and only a minor phase of the known and unknown toil and sacrifice she made for her children.

I have heard her say father could encircle her waist with his hands when they were married. but she later weighed 170 lbs., to a height of 6 ft. 6 in. Her eyes were blue, and her face fair and calm, and she was rather methodical - almost always doing the family washing on Monday, and would seldom leave the house until beds were made, dishes washed and the floor swept.

She became an excellent cook and a spotless housekeeper, but also raised poultry and garden, and could wield a hoe or handle a plow. She is a good singer, fond of flowers, and has developed considerable skill in the use of household remedies.

She is modest, and sometimes hesitant, as though bewildered; but is acquisitive, and tenacious of purpose, and always busy and her habit of reading when not at work keeps her posted on current events.

Her face is now lined with care and advancing years, and her once golden blond hair has turned grey; but such matronly changes have added an appearance of patient efficiency; and she is among the capable wives and mothers that have met duty without shirking, and is entitled to the encomium that belongs with good deeds well done.

ELROY SUNDERLAND FOSTER: third son of George and Laurretta (Cleaver) Foster; married Addaline Updegraff, in Indiana. They adopted Addaline's niece, Mabel Updegraff. He was a musician, and died in Blackwell Oklahoma, October 1922, soon after being admitted to the practice of law.

JOHN EVERET FOSTER; fourth son of Geo. and Laurretta (Cleaver) Foster; never married.

MARTHA JANE FOSTER: youngest daughter of George and Laurretta (Cleaver) Foster, married Martin Lowe, at Salina Kansas, June 9th 1882; and they were the parents of Pearl, May Laurretta, and Frankie Earnestine Lowe. "Mattie" died Dec. 11th 1933, at Topeka, Kansas; and was buried 5 miles West of Topeka, in Fairlawn Addition to Mount Hope cemetery.

PEARL LOWE: oldest daughter of Martha Jane (Foster) and Martin Lowe, died in infancy.

MAY LAURETTA LOWE: second daughter of Martha J. (Foster) and Martin Lowe, married Fred Moore. She died, leaving a son, Robert, who was adopted by his Aunt, Frankie E. (Lowe) and her husband, Robert McGiffert.

FRANKIE EARNESTINE LOWE: youngest daughter of Martha Jane (Foster) and Martin Lowe, married Robert McGiffert; and they live in Topeka, Kansas.

GEORGE CLEAVER: the first Direct Maternal ancestor of Mary Armintha Ellis (nee Foster) of which I have authentic information, was born in England. He was a ship carpenter, and married Birdsall. During the Revolution he was shot and killed by a Tory named Huddleston, who was hanged for the act. George Cleaver and wife were the parents of David * and three other children whose names I do not know.

* According to the custom of the times, the widow Cleaver bound her four little boys out to trades. David being bound to a saddler. He did not like the trade or his employer, so he ran away to Danbury Connecticut, and bound himself to a coach maker for 7 years. He served his time, and when he was through, could make anything that went on wheels.

(Caroline Cleaver - great grand daughter of above)

DAVID CLEANER: son of George and _____
(Birdsall) Cleaver; married Sarah Dakin* in New
York State; and their children were Phoebe, Walter,
Wooster Dakin, James, Abel, David, Jane, Lucretia,
Ann, and Caroline Cleaver.

* Sarah Dakin seems to have been a descendant of Gen.
David Wooster, of the Revolution; and a relative of Oliver
Hazard Perry, the Lake Erie Commodore of the war of 1812.

PHEBE CLEAVER first daughter of David and Sarah (Dakin) Cleaver;—

WALTER CLEAVER: first son of David and Sarah (Dakin) Cleaver;—

WOOSTER DAKIN CLEAVER; second son of David and Sarah (Dakin) Cleaver; was born in Danbury Connecticut, April 18th 1778. He married Margaret Davis * and they were the parents of Phebe, Amos David, Mary, Sarah Jane, Walter, Wooster, George Isaac, Lauretta Viola, Caroline Zethema, Wooster Dakin, and Kesiah Cleaver.

* Margaret Davis (born in Pennsylvania Nov. 27th 1804) was a daughter of Amos Davis (born July 28th 1779) and Mary Davis (nee John), and Amos Davis was a son of Caleb Davis (born Dec. 15th 1735) and Margaret Davis (nee Pennington), and Caleb Davis was a son of Griffith Davis (born 1700 in Wales) and Elizabeth Davis.

JAMES CLEAVER; third son of David and Sarah (Dakin) Cleaver;—

ABEL CLEAVER: fourth son of David and Sarah (Dakin) Cleaver;—

DAVID CLEAVER; fifth son of David and Sarah (Dakin) Cleaver; —

JANE CLEAVER; second daughter of David and Sarah (Dakin) Cleaver; —

LUCRETIA CLEAVER; third daughter of David and Sarah (Dakin) Cleaver; —

ANN CLEAVER; fourth daughter of David and Sarah (Dakin) Cleaver; —

CAROLINE CLEAVER; fifth daughter of David and Sarah (Dakin) Cleaver —

LAURETTA VIOLA CLEAVER: * daughter of Wooster Dakin and Margaret (Davis) Cleaver: was born in Franklin Co, Indiana, Feb. 11,' 1839. She married George William Foster, Aug. 4' 1855, and died at the villiage of Clarksburg, Johnston County, Ind., May 28' 1874; and sleeps beside her husband in the cemetery near Clarksburg.

CAROLINE ZETHENA CLEAVER; fifth daughter of W. D. and M. D.; was born April 9' 1841 in Indiana. She married William Andrew. She taught her first school at the age of 16, and her last at 37. She died at 71 in her home at Topeka, Kansas.

WOOSTER DAKIN CLEAVER; sixth son of W. D. and M. D.; was born June 11' 1843 in Indiana. He was a shoemaker, and married, and their children were Lutman, George and Richard.

KESIAH CLEAVER; sixth daughter of W. D. and M. D.; was born Mar. 25' 1846 —

* My mother was a sweet, Christain wife and mother, and kind and considerate to all. She had many friends, and was a member of the Methodist church, her funeral being preached by Rev. McLaughlin of the same church; and my father was a hard working man, considerate of his family's welfare, and a member of the Christian church.

(Armintha Ellis)

PHEBE CLEAVER, oldest daughter of Wooster Dakin and Margaret (Davis) Cleaver; was born in Ohio July 28 1827. She married John Harris a Unitarian minister, in Indiana, and their children were Bayard, Charles, and Paul Harrison.

AMOS CLEAVER; oldest son of W. D. & M. D.; was born April 22nd 1829 in Indiana. He married _____ and they had three children, _____, Theodore and Clinton.

DAVID CLEAVER; second son of W. D. and M. D. was born July 30th 1830 in Indiana. He married Elizabeth McFadden, and their children were Chester, Frank; Jennie, Carrie, James, Lottie, & Nellie

MARY CLEAVER; second daughter of W. D. and M. D.; was born Nov. 9th 1831 in Indiana. She married John Berry, and their children were Elmira, Samuel, Lyman, and Bennie Cleaver.

SARAH JANE CLEAVER; third daughter of W. D. and M. D.; was born April 23rd 1833 in Indiana.

WALTER CLEAVER; third son of W. D. and _____ was born August 1834 in Indiana.

WOOSTER CLEAVER; fourth son of W. D. and M. D.; was born Feb. 1836, and died in infancy.

GEORGE ISAAC CLEAVER; fifth son of W. D. and M. D.; was born Mar. 4th 1837 in Indiana. Married _____ and they had Walter and Wallace.

